

Mr. Seawell, from the same committee, also reported a bill, entitled, "a bill to provide for the registration of copies of grants for land; which was read the first time and passed, and, on motion of Mr. Seawell, ordered to be printed."

Mr. Seawell presented a bill, entitled, "a bill to amend the second section of an act, passed at the last session of the General Assembly, entitled, "an act for the better regulation of the conduct of negroes, slaves and free persons of color;" which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Stedman presented a bill, entitled, "a bill to appoint commissioners for the town of Haywood, in the county of Chatham, and for the better regulation of the same;" which was read the first, second and third times and passed, and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Bell,

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary, be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending or repealing an act, passed in the year 1828, entitled, an act to amend the law with respect to the collection of debts from the estates of deceased persons, and the law in relation to the levying of executions issued by justices of the peace, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Leak, from the committee on internal improvement, to whom was referred the petition of Theodorick F. Birchett and others, praying to be incorporated into a Turnpike Company, for the purpose of keeping in repair a portion of the road leading from Rutherfordton by the Hickory Nut Gap to Ashville, made an unfavorable report thereon, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject; in which report the Senate concurred, and the committee was discharged accordingly.

Mr. Dishongh moved, that the Senate do now proceed to consider the message from the House of Commons, proposing to ballot for a Major-general of the 8th Division; which motion was not agreed to.

The Speaker laid before the Senate a communication from the Hon. Joseph J. Daniel, President of the Electoral College of North Carolina, setting forth the reasons that induced that body to decline accepting the use of the Senate chamber for the transaction of its business, and which had been tendered by a resolution of the Senate; which communication was accompanied by the following resolutions, to wit:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Electoral College be returned to the Senate, for the polite manner in which that body tendered the use of their Hall to the Electors of the President and Vice-President.

Resolved further, That the President of the College be requested to communicate the foregoing resolution to the Senate, and to state the reasons which induced the College not to hold their meeting in the Senate Hall.

By order,

S. F. PATTERSON, Secretary.

J. J. DANIEL, President.

Ordered, that the said communication and resolutions be laid upon the table.

Mr. Seawell presented the petition of John Dunn Scott, a freeman of color, of the county of Wake, praying permission to emancipate his son, a slave. On motion of Mr. Seawell, ordered, that the said petition, with its accompanying documents, be referred to the committee on propositions and grievances:

And the Senate adjourned until Monday morning, 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1832.

A message was sent to the House of Commons, stating that the Senate have passed the engrossed bill, entitled, "a bill to appoint commissioners for the town of Haywood, in the county of Chatham, and for the better regulation of the same;" in which they ask the concurrence of that House.